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a search engine having access to access control lists for documents on the web servers, the access control list linking authorized users with all documents on the web servers, [found in a search are screened by] with the web servers screening the search results with the access control list to determine the documents for which a user performing a search has access.

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2. (amended) The system of claim 1 further defined by means for forwarding to the user only those document titles compatible with the authorized access of the user, wherein documents that are not compatible with the authorized access of the user are not forwarded to the user.

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4. (twice amended) A method of document retrieval in a network environment having web sites where documents are stored and query servers where document searches are launched comprising, executing a query on a query server having access to a document index of documents available for searching on document servers provided in the web site by a person having a unique identification code without regard to access control limitations, yielding a list of all relevant documents, each document having a unique URL,

reviewing all URLs by the document servers after the search is executed using an access control list associated with each document server to check whether each URL is compatible with the access level of the identification code of the person executing the query, and

delivering only those documents whose URL is compatible with the access level of the person, wherein each URL that is not compatible with the access level of the person is withheld.